

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-049

June 8, 2004

MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Investigation Into Northern Utilities Inc.
Gas Line Break in Lewiston, Maine

PROCEDURAL ORDER

On January 22, 2004, the Commission opened an investigation into the Northern Utilities, Inc.'s gas pipeline failure that occurred on January 12, 2004 in Lewiston, Maine. The Staff has completed its investigation and filed its report titled "Results of Investigation by Commission Staff into a Northern Utilities, Inc. Gas Pipeline Failure, Maine Street, Lewiston, Maine, January 12, 2004."

A copy of the Report (without attachments) is enclosed with this Order. Interested persons are invited to file comments on the Report. In particular, comments are invited on the Recommendations for follow-up activities. Comments should be filed by June 25, 2004. The attachments to the Report are available for review on line at the PUC Virtual Case File setting of the Commission's web page www.maine.gov/mpuc.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINER

Joanne B. Steneck